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Attached herewith are: 1) Transmittal Form, 2) Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a), 3) Credit Card Payment form, and 4) Certificate of Transmission Under 37 CFR 1.8.

In response to the Office Action of October 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.